

**DECLARATION - USA PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **ELECTRONIC FINANCING SYSTEM**; the specification of which was filed on **December 13, 2000** as Application Serial No. **09/737,168**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56;

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of sole inventor **Timothy Walker**

Inventor's signature _____

Date 6-26-2001

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Walker)
App. No. : 09/737,168)
Filed : December 13, 2000)
For : ELECTRONIC FINANCING)
SYSTEM)
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ESTABLISHMENT OF RIGHT OF ASSIGNEE TO TAKE ACTION
AND
REVOCATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The undersigned is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee below (the "Assignee"). A true copy of the original Assignment of the above-captioned application from the inventor(s) to the Assignee is attached hereto. This Assignment represents the entire chain of title of this invention from the Inventor(s) to the Assignee.

I declare that all statements made herein are true, and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, or any patent issuing thereon.

The undersigned hereby revokes any previous powers of attorney in the subject application, and hereby appoints the registrants of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, 620 Newport Center Drive, Sixteenth Floor, Newport Beach, California 92660, Telephone (949) 760-0404, **Customer No. 20,995**, as its attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and


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Trademark Office connected herewith. This appointment is to be to the exclusion of the inventor(s) and his attorney(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71.

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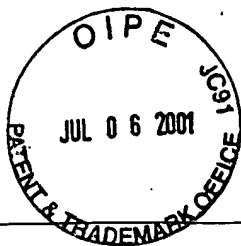
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Applicant(s) : Walker
App. No. : 09/737,168
Filed : December 14, 2000
For : ELECTRONIC FINANCING
SYSTEM
Group Art Unit : Unknown

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all marked attachments are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on

July 3, 2001

(Date)

Michael L. Fuller, Reg. No. 36,516

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

**ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231**

ATTENTION: BOX MISSING PARTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(f), which was mailed by the Office on February 6, 2001, enclosed are:

- (X) An executed Declaration by Inventor(s).
- (X) A Power of Attorney Form and Copy of Assignment.
- (X) An extension of time to respond for three (3) month(s) is hereby requested.

Time Extension Fee:

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- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- (X) A Notice to File Missing Parts.
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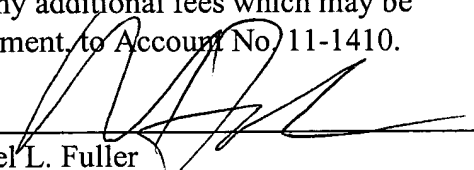
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(X) Fees as calculated below:

FILING FEE		\$ 355
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (LARGE ENTITY)	3 months	\$ 445
SURCHARGE 37 CFR 1.16(e)		\$ + 65
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS		\$ 865
TOTAL FEES SUBMITTED HEREWITH		\$ 865

(X) A check in the amount of \$865 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.


Michael L. Fuller
Registration No. 36,516
Attorney of Record

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies): (If multiple assignors, list numerically)

Timothy Walker

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?

() Yes (X) No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: autobytel.com inc.

Internal Address: 18872 MacArthur Blvd.

Street Address:

City: Irvine State: California ZIP: 92612

Additional name(s) of receiving party(ies) attached?

() Yes (X) No

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3. Nature of conveyance:

- (X) Assignment
() Merger
() Security Agreement
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Execution Date: (If multiple assignors, list execution dates in numerical order corresponding to numbers indicated in 1 above) June 26, 2001

4. Application number(s) or Patent number(s):

() Application(s) filed herewith Execution Date(s):

(X) Patent Application No.: 09/737,168
Filing Date: December 13, 2000

() Patent No.:
Issue Date:

Additional numbers attached? () Yes (X) No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): \$40

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: one

9. Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct, and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Michael L. Fuller
Name of Person Signing

Signature

Date

36,516
Registration No.

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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Crystal Gateway-4
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Timothy Walker, a United States citizen, residing at 2855 Baxter, Tustin, California 92782, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a **ELECTRONIC FINANCING SYSTEM** for which I have filed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, Application Number 09/737,168, filed on December 13, 2000;

AND WHEREAS, AUTOBYTEL.COM INC. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a ^{Delaware}~~California~~ Corporation, with its principal place of business at 18872 MacArthur Blvd., Irvine, California 92612, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said inventor, do hereby acknowledge that I have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND I HEREBY covenant and agree that I will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 20 day of June, 2001

Timothy Walker

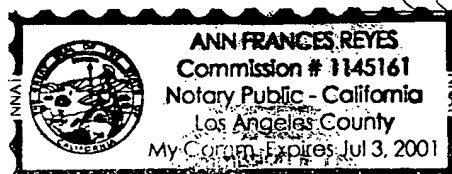
STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES } ss.

On June 26, 2001, before me, Ann Frances Reyes, Notary Public, personally appeared Timothy Walker personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(x) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

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